INDIANA TECH FLASH NEWSLETTER

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November 2009

NEW - Dual Credit Opportunities for Engineering & Technology Education!



Project Excel at Vincennes University has recently expanded the courses that can qualify for Dual Credit.

Some of the courses that can participate in dual credit with Vincennes University include...

- Several PLTW "Engineering" Courses...
- Design Processes
- Communication Systems
- Computers in Design & Production
- Manufacturing Processes

Please contact Robyn Haase

812-888-4086

rhaase@vinu.edu

for details on how your school and students can participate in **Project Excel**!



Upcoming Dates & Events

ISU Tech T.R.E.K (Terre Haute) - Nov 5, 2009

Renewable Energy Workshop (Kokomo) - Nov 20, 2009

Purdue FIRST VEX Competition 2009 (Lafayette)- Nov 21, 2009

WOW! That's Engineering Workshop - (IUPUI) Dec 5, 2009

Vex Clean Sweep Qualifying Tournament — (Indianapolis) - Dec 5, 2009

Engineering & Technology Rotunda Day (Indiana State House) — Feb 2, 2010

Annual PLTW "ETE" Student Conference (IUPUI) - Feb 2, 2010

World of Wheels Student Career Day (Indianapolis) - Feb 12, 2010

ITEA Conference (Charlotte, NC) — March 18-20, 2010

Engineering Expo - (Purdue) - March 30, 2010

IMSTEA Super Mileage Challenge (O'Reilly Raceway Park) - April 26, 2010

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The Game3 project team would like to invite you to participate in an ongoing research

exploring student attitudes towards environmental/ ecological engineering.

Do you know whether paper or plastic cups are better for the environment? Do you want to learn about green technology, the environmental impacts of products, and how to integrate these topics into your classrooms?

Workshop Objectives: You will learn about green technologies, measuring the carbon footprint, and Life Cycle Analysis (LCA), a fascinating engineering tool. You will participate in a focus group interview session in which you have the opportunity to discuss what you learned.

Compensation for **Participation**

When you complete two

workshops and one focus group interview session, you can earn up to \$200.00. (\$100.00 for your

participation and \$100.00 to cover the cost of a substitute),

Would you like to learn more? Please contact: Constance Harris at harris11@purdue.edu for additional details.

Mike Rowe **Works Web Site**

"Teaching is the profession that teaches all other



be underestimated. Right professions." That was along side our family, unknown author back in teachers set us down the the day. Well, hats off to road of our own life that author whoever you journey. They give us the were. The positive impact tools to think, to process of educators should never and to solve. We owe

them way more than a shiny red apple. We owe those teachers who made a difference in our lives our thanks and achievement. Fortunately, those two ideas go hand in hand.

http:// www.mikeroweworks.com

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speed. This video shows

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approach to

aerodynamics at work on

the all new Mazda3

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Want to

Igniting and Sustaining STEM **Education**

As the workplace changes and becomes increasingly global, today's students must be educated with a 21stcentury mindset. Science,

technology, engineering, and math (STEM) skills are no longer just "good skills" to have; they are increasingly vital to a 21st -century education-and students should begin cultivating these skills as early as possible. Attracting students to the STEM disciplines is the first hurdle, and retaining student interest in these areas is the second. But once student interest in STEM-related fields is established, they will discover they are on a

successful path not just for higher education, but for the workforce as well.

http:// www.eschoolnews.com/ resources/stemeducation/

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Indiana FIRST Robotics Grant Application

The Indiana Workforce
Development announces
support for Indiana FIRST
Robotics teams.

FIRST teams interested in this support will need to complete the following application.

Robotics teams help inspire Career and Technology Education students to be science and technology leaders, by engaging them in exciting mentor-based programs that build science, engineering and technology skills.

These grants are being funded by the Carl D. Perkins Career & Technical Education Act.

http://www.in.gov/dwd/



Create a Graph

Here you will find five different graphs and charts for you to consider. Not sure about which graph to use? Confused between bar graphs and pie charts?

Also Read our Create A Graph Tutorial

http://nces.ed.gov/ nceskids/createAgraph/ default.aspx

A World In Motion®

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http://www.awim.org/





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http://why.openoffice.org/

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is the leading opensource office software suite for word processing, spreadsheets, It stores all your data in an international open standard format and can also read and write files



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VU is committed to broadening the dual credit options available to Indiana students and providing them with opportunities to receive hands-on college experience in career and technical areas. With this in mind, we are pleased to announce that beginning in the Fall of 2009, Project **EXCEL** will waive the tuition fee for students enrolled in dual credit courses in select career and technical areas.

http://www.vinu.edu/ cms/opencms/ academic_resources/ project excel/

Technical Education MAGAZINE

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http:// www.techedmagazine.co m/home



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For more info contact Brannan Kenny at (847) 481-8073

eGFI – (Engineering: Go For It)



A new magazine and website with resources for k-12 students and teachers to support engineering education The newly expanded eGFI – (Engineering: Go For It) a multi-media exploration of engineering for middle and highschool students, has just been published.

The package combines a website and a magazine, available in print and online, that opens up the

world of engineering with profiles and features on an array of engineering disciplines, opportunities for discovery, and careers. According to ASEE, educators recognize that engineering, which stresses hands-on teamwork and imaginative problem solving, stimulates and enriches math and science learning.

http://egfi-k12.org/

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The Army Educational Outreach Program

consists of multiple programs to engage students and teachers in Army sponsored research, education, competitions, internships and unique practical experiences to stimulate the science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields.

> http:// www.armyedspace.com/



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http:// www.donorschoose.org/



THE FORMULA ONE-TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE

The F1 Challenge

is open to middle and high school level students worldwide. F1 team members learn and work in CAD, CAM, and CNC programs as they perform various activities at each phase of a five-step process to design, analyze, make, test and race a 1/20th scale F1 car. USA teams may face

an elimination event at the state level, in order to qualify for participation in the national challenge, which takes place each year at TSA's national conference. Participation in the USA F1 Challenge involves an annual team fee of \$150. This fee covers team registration and all items in the F1 Challenge Kit (F1 rules book, two car kits, free software options, etc.). If vou have students who would like to work

together as a F1 team, complete the F1
Challenge Agreement
Form and fax or mail it along with the payment to TSA. For more details contact Hillary Lee at 703/860.9000, ext. 16 or at hlee@tsaweb.org

www.f1inschools.com

Autodesk Project Dragonfly

allows you to streamline your next home improvement project by using Dragonfly's intuitive design tools to rapidly create and furnish your floor plan, experimenting in real time with your ideas in 2D and 3D before making it real.

http:// dragonfly.autodesk.com Page 6 Indiana Tech Flash



Blender 3-D design and animation software

Blender is the free open source 3D content creation suite, available for all major operating systems

http://www.blender.org/

The Front Lines: Students Confronting the Dropout Crisis

Meet some of Indiana's students who struggled with the dropout issue in their own lives. Students who can speak from their own personal experiences can sometimes be the best teachers. Learn what it was like for them in their schools and in their homes and what led them, not only to drop out, but to go back to school or earn their GED.



The Front Lines: Students Confronting the Dropout Crisis

Duration: 9 min. 31 sec.

Description:

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Resources:

Dropout Prevention Web site

Contact:

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Education Specialist, Special Education
Indiana Department of Education
gcochran@doe.in.gov



http://media.doe.in.gov/ curriculum/2009-09-29-DropoutSummit.html

The Sitting Machine

What happens when 10year-olds are given the chance to unleash their creativity in the classroom!

http:// www.thesittingmachinemo vie.com/



exploring the world of transportation

June 2009

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and young adults ages 14
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covers transportation from
all angles, from the
infrastructure to the
vehicles to the people
behind the wheel—
whether that "wheel" is on
a car, truck, train, plane,

or ship.

http://www.go-exploretrans.org/



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10 NASA Inventions You Might Use Every Day

Teenagers everywhere can thank NASA for inventing the material that makes those invisible braces invisible. We can also thank the space administration for athletic shoes, scratch-resistant lenses and cordless vacuums.

http:// science.howstuffworks.co m/ten-nasainventions2.htm

9 Things Invented or Discovered by Accident

From potato chips to corn flakes, many of the things we consume today were an accident. The inventors are often held in high regard, but their inventions were a strange twist of fate. See our list of nine things invented or discovered by accident.

http:// science.howstuffworks.com/ 9-things-invented-ordiscovered-by-accident7.htm



Architect Studio 3D



Design Studio

On this Web site, you can design a house, walk through it in 3D, and then share it with the world. You can also learn more about architecture, past and present, and explore Frank Lloyd Wright's life and work.

http:// www.architectstudio3d.o rg/AS3d/home.html



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Education Programs

http://www.nrel.gov/ education/

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PUZZLEMAKER

Puzzlemaker from discovery education.com

To create your crisscross, follow the steps below and click the "Create My Criss-Cross" button when you are done. Puzzlemaker uses PNG image files which are only viewable in Netscape and Internet Explorer browsers version 4.0 or higher.

http:// puzzlemaker.discoverye ducation.com/ CrissCrossSetupForm. asp



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http://ase.org/section/ audience/educators/ lessons/



GM Education Website

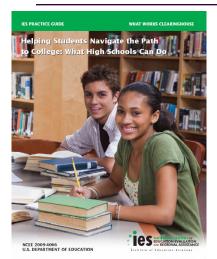
The new and improved General Motors Education website serves as an additional education

resource for parents, students, and teachers. It gives kids an opportunity to see how technology plays a role in their everyday lives. Some

highlights of the new education site include:

Build your own ZR1 in Mr. Stephens' Engine Shop, Recycler's Challenge: An interactive quiz on the on the way things were "back in the day," titled Retro Techno, and MORE!

http://www.gm.com/ experience/education/ index.jsp



HELPING STUDENTS NAVIGATE THE PATH TO COLLEGE

Access to higher education remains a challenge for many students who face academic and informational barriers to college entry.

A new guide from the Institute of Education Sciences targets high schools and school districts, and focuses on

effective practices that prepare students for college, assist them in completing the steps to entry, and improve their likelihood of enrolling in college.

http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/ wwc/pdf/practiceguides/ higher ed _pg_091509.pdf



Dr. Tony Bennett, Superintendent of Public Instruction Statehouse, Room 228 Indianapolis, IN 46204



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"Year of Science" begins with focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math

Superintendent of Public Instruction Dr. Tony Bennett offered a call-to-action message at the Second Annual Indiana Building Awareness for Science Education Symposium in South Bend today. The symposium is provided through a partnership between the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) and the Indiana Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (I-STEM) Resource Network. With life and health sciences now the largest growing industry cluster in the state, offering some of the highest demand and highest paying jobs in Indiana, the symposium highlighted the importance of K-12 education in STEM fields.

"This symposium is only the beginning of a year-long effort to reform science education in Indiana to benefit our students and economy," said Bennett. "Ultimately, our young adults are the future of great science-centered companies, such as Eli Lilly and Company, Dow AgroSciences, the Cook Group, and Zimmer, Inc. If we as Indiana educators are unable to provide them with a rigorous STEM curriculum, then these companies are going to look elsewhere for employees."

The symposium served as the kick-off to "The Year of Science." On February 3, 2010, IDOE and I-STEM will partner with Eli Lilly and Company to host the first Indiana Science Summit. The summit will bring together stakeholders from around the state to listen and discuss alternatives for improving science education. This past year, only 62 percent of Indiana fourth and sixth graders were able to pass and meet the state expectations on the science portion of I-STEP+ assessment.

"Test scores for I-STEP+ and NAEP tell us that there is much work to be done to improve student learning and achievement in all subjects, including science. Already, we are taking a look at the academic standards for this subject. Beginning in 2010, we'll start evaluating the curriculum and resources teachers are using in the classroom," said Bennett. "Indiana's efforts to increase content knowledge requirements for future teachers also will play an important role in science education reform."

Indiana will adopt new science curricular materials in 2011, with the process beginning in 2010. These materials will be a primary resource for each classroom in Indiana for the next six years. It is critical that all stakeholders, including teachers, school administrators and community members, be involved to make sure these materials build a deep understanding about science, are research tested, and have proven results in student achievement.

Prior to today's meeting, a strategic plan was developed in partnership with the National Science Resources Center (NSRC) for science education reform in Indiana. Implementation of this plan requires significant commitment from the community, thus today's symposium was a critical first step in educating attendees on K-12 Science.

The symposium addressed four critical themes that community leaders, including scientists and engineers, play in preparing our young learners for education, employment and citizenship in a high-tech world. Sessions engaged attendees in discussion that pulled from their expertise and provided directions for future involvement in science education. The four themes included:

- Understanding the breadth and depth of the problem.
- Examining the research supporting effective K-16 science learning and teaching.
- Investigating the characteristics of effective K-16 science education programs.
- Learning from leaders who are working to improve K-16 science education programs in Indiana and throughout the nation.

"The Indiana Building Awareness for Science Symposium brings together leaders and educators in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics to participate in activities and discussions that will continue to strengthen science education in Indiana. Understandings about science that develop during K-12 education are highly important for Indiana students and the future of our workforce," said Bill Walker, executive director of the I-STEM Resource Network. "This event will help us learn what steps we can take to make STEM education stronger in Indiana, but accomplishing our goals will require the involvement and commitment of a significant cross section of stakeholders."

For more information the Second Annual Indiana Building Awareness for Science Education Symposium, go to: http://www.istemnetwork.org/buildingawareness.cfm.

Registration for the 2010 Indiana Science Summit will be available at www.doe.in.gov beginning Nov. 9, 2009. Additional information on summit specifics will be released before the first of the year.



College of Technology-Kokomo

October 27, 2009

Dear High School STEM Teacher,

Electrical energy is important to all of us. How we generate, distribute, and utilize electrical energy in the United States will face significant challenges and changes in the very near future. We believe high school students need to know about these challenges related to energy and specifically electrical energy. Further, we believe the best way to get the message out is through high school STEM teachers.

On November 20, 2009, a one day workshop entitled "Future of Conventional and Renewable Electrical Energy: What Should Students Know?" will be held in Kokomo and <u>you are invited</u>. This workshop is being sponsored by Delphi Electronics and Safety, Duke Energy, and the Purdue University College of Technology at Kokomo.

We only have email addresses for Industrial Technology teachers in our service region. When you receive this email, please share this letter with all science and math teachers at your high school. Also, we will copy all high school principals and asked them to encourage all STEM teachers to attend this workshop.

This workshop is being partially supported by a U.S. Department of Labor grant. There is no registration fee, but you must be registered to attend. The registration is limited to the first 25 applicants. Please review the attached program, and if you are interested in attending, please complete the registration form and return either by U.S. mail or FAX to (765) 455-9397 with attention to Cindy Rush. If you have questions, please e-mail Cindy Rush at <clr>
<clrush@purdue.edu>.

An educational fuel-cell model car valued at \$150 will be given away at the end of the workshop to a lucky attendee and their school. See picture on the bottom of the Registration Form. You must be present to win.

Sincerely,

Michael T. O'Hair, Ed.D.

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Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology

Xc: Christy Bozic, Director Laura Sheets, Duke Energy Paul Ainslie, Delphi Electronics and Safety High School Principals



Calling all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls!!! Are you ready to experience the creativity and innovation of engineering and technology?

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~Student Track~

When: Saturday, December 5, 2009, 9 AM to 2:30 PM SWE will teach six hands-on engineering activities including "Make Your Own Lip Gloss" & "The Coin Battery"

~Parent Track~

When: Saturday, December 5, 2009, 12:30 PM to 2 PM SWE will provide parents with information and resources on how to keep their students involved in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) throughout school and how to prepare students for college.



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View this video of a classroom using these concepts at

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Contact Mark French (765-494-7521) or Vicki Brewer (765.494.9099) for more information.



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